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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: NPG - INTERPRETERS AT HIGH LEVEL GROUP MEETING

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1. BELGIAN DELEGATION REPRESENTATIVE CONTACTED MISSION
ON JANUARY 31 CONCERNING INTERPRETERS AT THE FEBRUARY 16-17
NPG HIGH LEVEL GROUP (HLG) MEETING. HE SAID THAT HE HAD
RECEIVED FURTHER GUIDANCE (VICE VIEWS REPORTED IN PARA 5
REFTEL) AND THAT THE BELGIAN HLG REPRESENTATIVES NOW HAVE
EXPRESSED A PREFERENCE FOR INTERPRETERS. HE RECOGNIZED,
HOWEVER, THAT TIME WAS SHORT AND EMPHASIZED THAT IF IT
WAS IMPRACTICAL FOR WASHINGTON TO ARRANGE FOR INTERPRETERS,
THE BELGIAN REPRESENTATIVES WOULD BE PREPARED TO CARRY ON
IN ENGLISH.

2. COMMENT: IF WASHINGTON CAN ARRANGE FOR INTERPRETERS,
ALL TO THE GOOD. HOWEVER, IF DOING SO INTRODUCES UNDUE
BURDEN AT THIS STAGE, WE BELIEVE THE BELGIANS WILL
UNDERSTAND FULLY. END COMMENT.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE ADVISE.
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